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SUBJECT: YUGOSLAV INTEREST IN AGREEMENT ON PREVENTION OF
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1. IN MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESSEL JUNE 27
WHICH WAS DEVOTED PRIMARILY TO EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON CSCE
(SEE SEPTEL), YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR GRANFIL DISPLAYED INTEREST
IN SIGNIFICANCE FOR YUGOSLAVIA OF US- SOVIET AGREEMENT ON
THE PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR. GRANFIL NOTED THAT YUGO-
SLAVIA, AS A SMALL COUNTRY, HAD ALWAYS APPRECIATED SPECIAL
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GREAT POWERS FOR PEACE. IT WILL BE
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OF GREAT INTEREST, HE NOTED, TO SEE WHAT IMPACT THIS NEW AGREEMENT, ESPECIALLY ARTICLE 2 WHICH STATES THAT THE TWO SIDES WILL CONFER IN THE EVENT OF A THREAT TO PEACE, WILL HAVE ON THE WORLD SITUATION.

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2. STOESSEL STATED THAT THE SUMMIT TALKS AND THE AGREEMENT ON THE PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR WERE NOT AN EFFORT TO ARRANGE FOR A CONDOMINIUM BY THE TWO POWERS. HE HOPED THAT SUMMIT WOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS A DESIRE ON PART OF EITHER PARTY TO PLAY A CONTROLLING ROLE ON WORLD SCENE. THE AGREEMENT ON THE PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR WAS NOT, STOESSEL NOTED, AIMED AT ANY COUNTRY NOR WAS IT INTENDED TO STOP NUCLEAR TESTING. (LATTER POINT HAD BEEN RAISED BY GRANFIL.) RECENT SUMMIT, STOESSEL OBSERVED, HAD BEEN AN EFFORT TO BROADEN AREAS OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN US AND USSR.

IT HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN EXPANDING US- USSR COOPERATION IN AREAS OF CULTURAL EXCHANGE, TRANSPORTATION, OCEANOGRAPHY, ETC.

3. GRANFIL ALSO INQUIRED WHETHER YUGOSLAVIA WAS MENTIONED IN NIXON- BREZHNEV DISCUSSION. STOESSEL REPLIED THAT HE HAD NOT HEARD THAT IT WAS.

4. IN CALL ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMITAGE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING GRANFIL- STOESSEL MEETING, YUGOSLAV MINISTER COUNSELOR OSOLNIK, WHO HAD PARTICIPATED IN EARLIER MEETING, AGAIN RAISED THE SUBJECT OF THE AGREEMENT ON THE PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR. DID THE DISCUSSION IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT FOCUS ON " WHAT USED TO BE CALLED THE BREZHNEV DOCTRINE?", HE ASKED.

5. ARMITAGE SAID HE DID NOT BELIEVE THE TALKS HAD FOCUSED ON SPECIFIC SITUATIONS PAST OR FUTURE. DID THIS MEAN, OSOLNIK ASKED, THAT CHINA WAS NOT DISCUSSED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT? ARMITAGE STATED THAT HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE THAT CHINA WAS PART OF THE CONTEXT IN WHICH THIS AGREEMENT WAS DISCUSSED.

6. OSOLNIK ALSO ASKED ARMITAGE WHETHER THERE HAD BEEN ANY DISCUSSION ABOUT ASKING OTHER NUCLEAR POWERS TO JOIN THE US- SOVIET AGREEMENT OR TO NEGOTIATE SIMILAR ONES. ARMITAGE

REPLIED THAT OTHER NUCLEAR POWERS WERE NOT EMBRACED IN AGREEMENT ITSELF, BUT THIS DID NOT MEAN OTHER NUCLEAR POWERS COULD NOT ASSOCIATE THEMSELVES WITH RESTRAINTS OUTLINED IN AGREEMENT. ROGERS

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